

C<sub>1</sub> 40. (amended) A method of modulating the level of endogenous cholesteryl ester transfer protein (CETP) activity in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a whole, non-endogenous CETP in an amount effective to reduce CETP activity below 20% of that of the untreated mammal.

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C<sub>2</sub> 44. (amended) A method of modulating the level of LDL-cholesterol in a mammal comprising administering to the mammal a whole, non-endogenous cholesteryl ester transfer protein in an amount effective to achieve a lipoprotein profile wherein less than 10% of the total cholesterol in the blood plasma of the mammal is LDL-cholesterol.

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